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By Telegraph
5.00 O'CLOCK.

GRAND RECEPTION.

The Brilliant New Year's Event at the White House.

KALEIDOSCOPIC SCENE.

The President and Mrs. Cleveland Receive Official and Unofficial Washington. Flowers and Music.

(Special dispatch to the Transcript.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1.—New Year's day broke raw and cloudy over the national capital, but the weather was not allowed to mar the success of the great annual reception given by the chief magistrate at the executive mansion to official and unofficial Washington. The white house reception inaugurates the social festivities of the winter, and in many respects is the most important social function of the year.

It is the occasion when the president, cabinet and their families formally exchange greetings and joyous good wishes with the high dignitaries of the government and diplomatic representatives.

Brilliant Success.

The reception this year was a brilliant success. From 11 o'clock till 2 this afternoon the reception continued. Long lines of carriages moved through the spacious grounds to where occupants alighted and made their way through the brilliantly decorated parlors to the receiving party in the blue parlor. In an ante-room the full Marine band gave selections.

Kaleidoscopic Picture.

The official program was carried out with strict formality. The cabinet, diplomatic corps, judges of the supreme court, senators, representatives and other dignitaries arrived in regular order and, after passing through the parlors to exchange New Year's greetings with the receiving party, gathered in the east room.

Here appeared the full brilliancy of the occasion. Here elegantly gowned ladies, members of the diplomatic corps, in full court costume, and officers of the army and navy in uniform, made a kaleidoscopic picture.

The general public stood in line outside the white house for hours until the officials had been received. Then for over an hour they streamed through the profusely decorated rooms to the blue parlor, where stood the receiving party.

Those assisting Mrs. Cleveland were Mrs Stevenson, Mrs. Olney, Mrs. Carlisle, Mrs. Lamont, Mrs. Harmon, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Herbert, Mrs. Francis and Miss Morton.

NEW YEAR AT BERLIN.

The Emperor and Empress Hold a Reception After Church.

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript.)

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—The advent of the new year was celebrated in the customary manner at the palace. After church, the emperor and empress held a grand reception in the white hall, those present including the chancellor, Prince Hohenlohe the ministers, presidents of the reichstag and diet, embassadors and commanding generals. This afternoon the emperor made a tour of the embassies.

GEN. WEYLER'S FAILURE.

Attacked by Spanish Newspapers. Cabinet Crisis Imminent.

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript.)

MADRID, Jan. 1.—The Dia referring to the attacks of the Heraldo and the Imparical on General Weyler, says that it is possible they may result in a cabinet crisis and that many believe there will be a change of policy. A meeting of the Spanish generals will be held this evening to consider the newspaper articles, the full text of which was not allowed to be telegraphed abroad for fear of causing dismay among the troops in Cuba and encouraging the friends of the insurgents in the United States.

It is persistently asserted that General Weyler had been relieved of his functions, but the premier suspended the order. All the ministers met at the premier's residence yesterday and discussed the matter. The feeling of the general public is one of indignation. It is asserted that the soldiers are suffering hunger, exposure and lack of medical care, while nobody seems to know what becomes of the money sent from Spain.

SUCCESSOR TO DEPEW.

It is all Talk so Far. President-Elect Has Not Acted.

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Touching the statements contained in a New York despatch to a western paper that M. E. Ingalls of the Big Four would succeed Chauncey M. Depew as president of the New York central, it may be said that no action towards such a change has been taken on the railroad's side.

So far as known in New York no initiative has been taken by the president elect toward the placement of public responsibilities upon Mr. Depew. The relations between the President of the New York Central and all its interests never were closer and more satisfactory than now.

ANNIVERSARY OF FREEDOM.

The Colored People of Boston and Other Cities Celebration.

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript.)

BOSTON, Jan. 1.—The thirty-fourth anniversary of the emancipation proclamation by President Lincoln is being observed by the colored people of Boston and other places of the state.

A public meeting in Faneuil hall was addressed by local orators, a parade and several minor celebrations complete the program here. There will be public meetings tonight at Lawrence, Ayer, Chelsea, Haverhill and Worcester.

Daytime Jewels.

The fashion of wearing jewels in the daytime is every day growing more fashionable in England. Two or three years ago, if a British matron wished to level a sneer at the head of a beautiful and well dressed American, she would glare at her through her lorgnette and observe, with a curl of the lip: "Fancy! How vulgar! Wears her diamonds down to breakfast." Time reverses many things, however, and now it is the English woman who overdoes matters in the way of daytime jewelry. Women of the highest rank wear their diamonds and their single row of pearls every day of their lives and to the exclusion of other ornaments. No woman who respects herself, at all events in Paris, is to be seen without a pearl necklace. Most chic Parisiennes are incrusting their umbrella handles with real gems. At many of the fashionable weddings in England diamonds fasten the veils to bonnets above the forehead in front and over the cache-peigne at the back, and many well dressed women are having diamonds mounted as bonnet pins, while some follow the footsteps of the Princess of Wales and keep their toques in place with a diamond hilted dagger. —London Letter.

Black Satin Coats the Vogue.

"Black satin is a material in vogue for coats," writes Isabel A. Mallon in The Ladies' Home Journal, "and upon the coats made of it lace, ribbon and all rich decorations run riot. The design most in vogue for satin has a close fitting bodice with an attached skirt, this skirt being formed of the trimming. A typical black satin coat is fitted to the figure, but has in the center of the back and just in front a few soft folds. It is cut so that it extends two inches below the hips, where it arches slightly, and it is then finished with a frill of black lace that reaches almost to the knees. Wide, drooping revers of the satin are overlaid with cut jet, while at the neck is a folded collar of the satin, with a large flaring bow in the back. A similar bow, but somewhat larger, is at the back at the waist line, and from it come two long satin ends that are drawn over the hips to the front and are loosely knotted so that they fall far down over the lace. With a jet bonnet as its adjunct such a coat may be worn with a simple skirt, which must, however, be black, and the effect of a very rich and elaborate costume will result."

The Little Breaker.

There is a certain nursery in this city where the poem with the ever recurring line "Ho, ho, the little breakers roar" is as familiar as Mother Goose itself. All the children, from the 10-year-old, whose kindergarten days are a thing of the past, down to the lisping 3-year-old, know the piece "by heart." The other day the 7-year-old was crossing the nursery with her most cherished "set of dishes" in her arms. Just as she reached the middle of the room she tripped, fell and the entire "set" went kersmash. There was hardly an unbroken piece among the lot. The 7-year-old, sitting among the ruins, set up such a howl as it is rarely the fate of even nursery walls to hear, whereupon the 3-year-old, highly excited, danced round her shouting, "Ho, ho, the little breaker roars!"—New York Sun.

The newest desk for the fashionable woman's den is a rather small affair of white enamel, decorated in blue. It carries out the delft coloring and design. The white desks, hand painted in a floral pattern, are also a novelty. These desks have but one drawer, and these boast of silver handles.

By Telegraph
4.00 O'CLOCK.

INAUGURATION.

It is Now His Excellency Governor Black of New York.

BEFITTING CEREMONIES.

Enthusiasm at Troy and Albany. Grand Military Display. Exercises at the Capitol Reception.

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript.)

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 1.—The fifty-first governor of New York, if the colonial and military are counted, the thirty-third elected governor, the sixty-fifth incumbent since the establishment of the Union was inaugurated this noon in a manner becoming the chief executive of the greatest state in the Union in Frank S. Black, a descendant of New England Puritan stock, by a ceremony becoming the successor of the Jays, Clintons, Van Burens Mareys and Mortons.

Enthusiasm at Troy.

Before 10 o'clock this morning the streets of Troy were alive with people. At that hour a battalion of the national guards and troops met Mr. Black at his home and escorted him to the depot where a special train awaited to convey him to Albany. The crowds were enthusiastic, and many residences and stores were decorated in honor of the new governor.

Entering the Capitol.

At Albany station, the police were kept busy with the crowd. Here the tenth battalion, with four full companies under the command of Lieut. Colonel William Fitch, and the third brigade signal corps, under command of Captain Chauncey Williams, in gorgeous trappings, met the other escort upon the arrival of the train, and, assuming the right of column, moved down Broadway and up Broad and State streets to the capitol. At the State street entrance to the capitol the military formed in review when Mr. Black's carriage drove up to the entrance.

"Hail to the Chief."

The assembly chamber where the ceremonies was held were elaborately draped and decorated. The platform held 600 persons, including state officers and their families, assemblymen, senators and other prominents. The body of the chamber which was draped in artistic designs and the American colors, was filled with a handsomely dressed assemblage. The band played while people assembled. When the inaugural party entered the band played "Hail to the Chief" and the people rose and cheered.

The Exercises.

When Bishop Doane invoked a blessing Mr. Morton advanced to the front of the stage, and when the applause ceased made an address. When he concluded Mr. Black stepped to the front and took the oath of office and then made his inaugural. At the conclusion there was more music, the benediction, and the party retired to the executive chamber, where the new staff, after taking the oath of office and receiving commissions from the hand of the new governor as his first official act, assisted him to receive the general public.

Mustn't Play In Our Yard.

"I Don't Want to Play In Your Yard" is a song England never sings. She would like to have all the nations of the earth nothing but one great playground for the benefit of her merchants and manufacturers. Free traders sympathize with England in her desire and would gladly take down all the fences that protect the American yard, if the American people would only let them do it. But the American people rather think that they would like to keep their own yard for themselves. They have seen too many American industries crowded out under the "first step toward free trade," and they want the fences up again.

Should Make a Beginning.

From 1848 to 1891 Great Britain paid in the way of subsidies and mail pay to her steamers $197,027,789, while the United States paid in the way of mail payments and help only $25,546,330—that is to say, $8 to our $1 to support her shipping. We cannot cope with England by subsidies at this late day. She is too strongly intrenched and established on the seas. It would take 50 years if we should match our treasury against England's to even catch up or be on an equal footing with her in shipping and as a maritime power.—Hon. Stephen B. Elkins, United States Senator, of West Virginia.

A MUCH WANTED MAN.

Left His Board Bill Unpaid and Stole a Rig.

BUGGY SOLD IN THIS CITY.

Chief Kendall's Quick Work. Rig Recovered but Thief Searched For in vain. Clever Swindler's Escapade.

Chief Kendall received a notification Wednesday evening at 8.45 o'clock from Sheriff Nash of Bennington, Vt., of the theft of a horse and buggy from Liveryman John H. Savery of that town, and he was requested to be on the lookout for both the man and the rig. A good description of both was sent.

Within twenty minutes after receiving the telephone message Chief Kendall had located the rig and reported his find to the Vermont officials. Sheriff Nash and Mr. Savery came here Thursday and identified the property. As no trace of the man could be found in this city Sheriff Nash and the liveryman went on to Pittsfield, but their search was in vain and they returned to Bonnington in the evening.

The story of the theft is in brief as follows: A man registered at the American house Monday as C. M. Ryan. He gave out that his business was assisting in superintending the work of putting machinery into a mill, together with the Lyons Brothers, who were then conducting the work. He hired a team of Mr. Savery Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock and when evening came and he did not return Sheriff Nash was notified.

Investigation showed that the man was a fraud and Mr. Nash hurriedly notified the police in this section of the affair and solicited assistance. The man was described as being about 30 years old, 5 feet 7 inches in height, light complexion, wearing a light colored suit and mackintosh and dark derby hat.

Chief Kendall found that a rig answering the description sent had been left under Edmund Vadner's shed on Center street. Mr. Vadner had bought the buggy, robe and whip of the man for $10, giving in payment a check payable to John C. O'Neil. Mr. Vadner told Chief Kendall that the man had informed him earlier in the week that he had a buggy to sell and would be back before Saturday. The check was paid at the Adams National bank and the man has not been seen since. The horse was left in Ford & Arnold's stable until the man could arrange for its keeping for the winter.

The police throughout the East have been notified and if the Ryan or O'Neil, whichever he is, should be apprehended he will find serious charges to answer.

Moore--Long.

A very pretty home wedding took place Thursday in Beverly, when Miss Eva S. Long of that place and Charles F. Moore of this city were married at the home of the bride's mother.

The house was very beautifully decorated with flowers and just at noon the bridal party entered the room to the strains of Lohengrin played by an orchestra of twelve pieces, which was hidden from view. The bride was handsomely gowned in white satin and carried lilies of the valley.

A reception followed the ceremony and a large number of guests were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore left Beverly in the early evening for this city, where they will reside in their new home at 17 Bracewell avenue. The bride is a great favorite among her large circle of friends in Beverly, and the groom is well known in this city where he holds the agency of the Reece Buttonhole Machine company of Boston.

A large number of handsome gifts were received.

Edward A. Messier.

Edward A. Messier, a well known musician, died at about 12 o'clock Thursday night at his home on Bryant street, aged 52 years. He had been suffering from a complication of diseases for a year or more and had been confined to the house for five weeks.

Mr. Messier had lived in North Adams for about thirty years and was well known. He was a skillful violinist and taught many pupils the use of the "king of instruments." He also worked at shoemaking. He was a pleasant and social man and was well liked by those who knew him. He leaves a widow and nine children, Edna, Frank, William, Paul, Madge, Roy, Harry, Mark and Maud, all of this city.

The funeral will be held at the house Sunday, at 2.30, Rev. F. D. Penney officiating.

Lodging House Report.

Superintendent Allen reports that during the month of December 308 men were lodged and 831 meals were served. Twenty-three men were turned away for want of room and eleven because they were intoxicated when they applied. Nine men found employment.

There is now a large stock of wood on hand which will be delivered at very reasonable prices.

Mrs. Eva E. Watson has returned to Montague, having spent the holidays with her father, John Cary.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. White and son of Springfield have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cary, at 164 Ashland street.

CLARKSBURG SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Pleasant Christmas Exercises Held Thursday Evening.

The Christmas exercises of the Baptist Sunday school in Clarksburg took place Thursday evening in the town hall and passed off very pleasantly in every way. The program included recitations and singing by the children, all of whom acquitted themselves with much credit. There was a Christmas tree loaded with pleasing things for the children and sticks of candy for the "big boys," some of whom were boys a good while ago, and the harvesting of the tree was a most interesting event to old and young.

W. A. Smith of this city, who has been superintendent of the Sunday school for a little over three years, retired from that position last Sunday, and as a token of respect and love, and to show its appreciation of faithful services, the school presented to him a beautiful framed etching entitled "Golden Autumn." Fred W. Cox made the presentation speech, to which Mr Smith briefly but feelingly responded. The occasion was highly enjoyed by old and young, and it is safe to say that few have had a happier New Year than the Sunday school children at Clarksburg.

Mr. Smith has done earnest and effective work as superintendent of the school, the duties of which position now devolve upon O. S. Thayer of this city.

BERKSHIRE MILL SPINNERS.

Schedule of Wages Discussed by Mule Spinners' Executive Committee.

The executive committee of the national mule spinners' association met in Boston Thursday to discuss the present state of affairs at the Lyman mills, Holyoke, and the schedule proposed to spinning at the new Berkshire mill at Adams. As a result of their deliberation Secretary Ross and Chairman Howard went to Holyoke to-day for the purpose of conferring with the mill officials relative to the resumption of work at the old rates. Secretary Ross is hopeful of a satisfactory outcome of the trouble and anticipates the speedy settlement of the question at issue. Regarding the wage schedule proposed at the Berkshire mill, it seems that the treasurer of the concern is to prepare another list, which he says will be more in accord with wages paid at other mills. —Republican.

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K. OF P. ANNUAL MEETING.

Olympian Lodge Elects Officers Thursday Evening for the New Year.

Olympian lodge, No. 22, K. of P., elected the following officers at the annual meeting Thursday evening: C. C., F. A. Bedel; V. C., J. H. C. Pratt; P., W. B Amidon; M. of A., Henry Lane; M. W., George Deming; K. of R. S., L. Breckenridge; M. of F., E. J. Coon; M. of V., H. M. Gurney; trustee for eighteen months, J. V. Ashman; trustee for six months, N. H. Arnold. Installation of officers will be held January 14.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

Universalist Church Elects Officers. Encouraging Reports Submitted.

The annual meeting of the Universalist church was held Thursday evening and the following officers were elected: Moderator, W. G. Cady; clerk, Rev. A. B. Church; treasurer, L. D. Thayer; sick committee, Mrs. W. G. Cady, Mrs. F. J. Harrington, Mrs. Anice Snyder. The reports from the various committees were very satisfactory.

W. R. C. Installation.

Mrs. Josephine A. Burdick, junior vice-president, department of Massachusetts, W. R. C., will install the officers in the following corps: Pittsfield, January 4; Adams, January 5; North Adams, January 6; Williamstown, January 7; Orange, January 8; Shelburne Falls, January 13.

District Court.

The cases in court this morning were as follows:

Thomas H. Quinn, drunkenness, fined $5.

J. J. Copeland, drunkenness, fined $2.08 and put on probation.

Worse and Better Combination.

The police made 118 arrests during the month of December and lodged 70 tramps. For the same month in 1895 there were 75 arrests made and 92 tramps cared for.

Annual Turkey Dinner.

The annual turkey dinner was served today from 12 to 2 o'clock by the Ladies' Missionary society of the Baptist church. About 175 persons were served and a good sum will be realized.

SPENT IN PLEASURE.

Last Hours of the Old Year Delightfully Occupied by Many.

USHERED IN WITH GAMES.

The New Year's Arrival Hailed With Joy. Good Wishes Exchanged. Where Merry Dancers Bade the Old Year Farewell.

At Odd Fellows' Hall.

Quincy lodge of Odd Fellows took a pleasant way to see the old year out and the new year in. They had a social and dance which was well attended, there being present about seventy-five couples and the hours passed quickly and happily. Music was furnished by members of Clapp's orchestra and the dance programs of nineteen numbers kept the party busy most of the time till 1 o'clock this morning.

The program included all the popular waltzes, ending with the waltz, "Home Sweet Home." During the intermission Binford & Co., of the Quick Lunch served light refreshments. The affair was managed by the social committee of Quincy lodge and all who attended enjoyed the occasion thoroughly. The lodge room was open for those who did not care to dance, and various games were enjoyed in that room.

All present expressed themselves enough pleased with the pleasant manner in which the affair was conducted and are hoping that more socials of the kind will be held in the course of the winter.

At Division 1 Festival.

The second night of the first annual festival of Division 1, A. O. H., was largely attended and many found delight in welcoming the new year by dancing. The order of dances was successfully carried out and the festival is progressing very satisfactorily. The supper which was served from 5 to 8 o'clock was a source of considerable revenue. About 200 persons sat down to the tables. This evening a musical program will be rendered under the direction of Thomas Murphy. An oyster supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock.

At Division 10 Hall.

About sixty couples were assembled in Division 10, A. O. H. hall on Eagle street and joy was unconfined until an early hour of the new year. The affair was the fourth social and dance to be given under the auspices of the Independent Cadet and Drum Corps.

Harry Browne and Edward Snow furnished music for dancing and Mr. Browne acted as prompter. Hosford served refreshment.

At Robert Emmet Hall.

A dance was held by a party of colored people in Robert Emmet hall. The attendance was small, there being a similar event in Williamstown, in consequence of which none came from that direction. Music was furnished by I. S. Browne and Follett, and a number of white people dropped in as spectators. A cake walk had been planned, but for some reason this part of the program was omitted.

The affair passed off pleasantly, although there was not that enthusiasm which a larger company would have inspired. The dance closed a little before 12 o'clock. Among those present from out of town were H. R. Chadwell and William Haynes of New York and Charles Cooper of Washington, D. C.

AT DIVISION 4 HALL.

Musical Program to be Rendered This Evening at the Festival.

The following program will be rendered at the festival in Division 4, A. O. H., hall this evening:

Song—Dearest Heart.....Sullivan
Miss Mae Larkin.
Violin sol.—Polka.....
Lizzie Leah Kohler.
Song—Only to See Her Face.....Eckersmann
J. Malone.
Reading—Kearney's Charge.....
Miss Nellie Trigg.
Song—Bathore.....
John Fallon.
Violin solo—Marche des Pepsons.....Newell
Leah Kohler.
Song—I Love but Thee.....
Miss Katie Pattison.
Song—Comic.....Selected
Will Smith.
T. F. Murphy, Accompanist.

Sansoucy-Bissonnette.

The marriage took place Thursday evening at 6.30 o'clock of Mrs. Sophronia Bissonnette of Greylock and Nazaric J. Sansoucy of this city, at Notre Dame church, Rev. C. H. Jeannotte performing the ceremony. The couple were accompanied by Miss Ida Sansoucy and Eugene Sansoucy, daughter and son of the groom. The bride's gown was of a brown and green silk and wool mixture, and she carried no flowers. The bridesmaid wore a dress of black and white check, trimmed with white satin.

After the ceremony a reception was given at the home, 10 Brooklyn street, to about thirty relatives, and a fine supper was served.

The presents were very beautiful. Among them was a handsome table in bird's-eye maple, from T. S. Bateman & Son, by whom Mr. Sansoucy has been employed for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Sansoucy will reside at 10 Brooklyn street, and they have the best wishes of their many friends.

Mr. and Mrs George W. Cary of Coltrain are the guests of Dr. E. Jay Cary at 164 Ashland street.

Workmen

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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.
—John A. Andrew.

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"WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY."
From the Seal of North Adams.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JAN. 1, 1897.

The Advertisers in the TRANSCRIPT are the best business men in this community. Their advertisements are worth reading, and they are the firms with whom to trade most advantageously.

HOW HE VIEWS IT.

The TRANSCRIPT's editor is in receipt of a letter from a gentleman who was formerly a Republican, but is now a Bryan Democrat. He was a Republican for more than thirty years, a soldier in the war, has worn the judicial ermine with great credit and is a man of deep learning. It may be interesting to learn how a Bryan supporter regards the incoming administration, and so we give an excerpt from his letter. This gentleman, after explaining how he believes the Republican party to have fallen in the grasp of the money powers, says:

"For myself I heartily wish the incoming President a good deliverance in the task that is before him, but in the nature of things I do not see how this is probable or even possible. His program seems to be to recommend a re-enactment of his tariff, and to ignore every other question. He is evidently wedded to his ancient delusion that all a people need to be prosperous and happy is to tax themselves vigorously, a task in comparison with which lifting one's self over the fence by his bootstraps is an easy job. The fact is the national boss has kept him in a strict quarantine in Canton for six months of the most highly formative period of American history, during which public opinion has crystallized beyond all example, but during which also no one has had any access to him except interested parasites and paid flatterers. So that he comes to the discharge of his duties out of touch with the people and unacquainted with their wishes and their needs. This of itself would be a positive disqualification for a successful issue of his administration. It is evident that prosperity has not yet reached us, and is not yet in sight, and the entire business of the country is trembling over the bank failures of yesterday at Chicago. This is a very different condition of affairs from that which was so confidently promised previous to the election."

And this is the way Bryan men feel.

TENNYSON'S NEW YEAR IDEA.

The poet Tennyson has written an editorial poem on New Year's in verse, and this is what he wrote, and it came from a great heart that knew the world thoroughly:

The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

The people of Massachusetts know nothing about observing New Year's day as it is observed elsewhere. Ask a New Yorker which is the best holiday in the year and he will tell you that it is New Year's. It ought to be a holiday in Massachusetts and everywhere else.

What a beautiful fight in Tammany hall. Purroy and Sheehan are deep into each other's hair. They are calling each other all the names in the billingsgate catalogue, and only sigh that there are not more names to call each other.

THE EDITOR'S SHEARS.

FOR TODAY.

A Difference.

I'd laugh at the snow
When the chill winds blow,
An I'd sing when the frost comes a-prowlin,
An I'd turn up my eye
With a wink at the sky
For show I don't care fur its scowlin.

Defiance I'd cast
In the teeth o' the blast,
An I'd joke 'bout the coal in the cellar
An the way that it shrinks
When the mercury sinks
If I was the other feller.

It's easy enough
When a friend's road is rough

The writ 'has a cr'tical' roug sin' all'ly,
But it's different, some,
When the grievances come,
An lodge in the midst o' yer fam'ly.

When the fire's gittin dim
An the credit is slim,
I don't say in terms fer't an meller
That it's all fer our good,
Ez it's likely I would
If I was the other feller.
—Washington Star.

WIVES OF GERMANS.

AN AMERICAN GIRL'S POSITION WHEN SHE MARRIES A BARON.

How She Has to Economize In the Use of Her Own Money—An Authority on the Subject Writes For the Benefit of Young Women In This Country.

Few questions have been put to me as a test to my foreign experience oftener than the familiar: "Ought American girls to marry German men? Are such unions happy? Do they turn out well? What class of men is it that step outside the beaten track of home matrimony to seek American wives and transplant them into the life of the fatherland?" writes Baroness von Wedel in Cosmopolitan.

In respect to the marriages of American girls with German men, they may be approved of safely in the cases of practical, worldly minded women and of very young or of very gentle tempered girls. Wives who possess little sentiment or only soft sentiments yield readily to their environment, the latter giving way unconsciously, and hence without pain, the former with foresight and with a purpose selfish enough, as we may assume, to recompense them for their renunciations.

As for the class of willful, silly, pretentious women, they are happy nowhere. German society should not be called too harshly to account, therefore, if they are wretched in marrying into it. We must concede, if we are fair minded, that they would have been just as discontented in any other geographical position as in the fatherland.

The inquiry begins with our average girls. They represent American wives whose happiness is influenced by the specifically foreign traits in their husbands and their husbands' society and surroundings. However they may vary in character, they are alike in their Americanism, and it is republican principles which are opposed in them to the aristocratic education of the men of their choice.

It is a false prejudice to suppose that these or the titled gentlemen who take American wives are mere fortune hunters and degenerated specimens of nobility. They are often men, it is true, who could not marry women without dowries, for gentlemen on the continent, as it must be kept continually in mind, are excluded from the chances of making money.

Where cases of dissipation of the great fortunes of American wives occur and are duly reported two or three things are sometimes overlooked. The first is that, if the cases were not rare, they would hardly be considered worth offering to the public as shocking facts. The second is that the fortune evidently was limited. The next may surprise us, for it is a truth that has not been realized by our home staying countrymen—I mean the fact that foreigners lay the blame on the American wife. Why, the relatives ask, did she not bring more money into the connection?

What they mean, and what they feel justified by the usages of their class in meaning, is that young noblemen do nothing unusual in being extravagant. If the consort of such a man brings wealth enough for her to be luxurious, too, no objection to that is valid. But the head of the house is the member who is the representative of his rank, together with the munificence that is suitable to it, and where the mutual fortune is circumscribed it becomes the duty of the wife to retrench her outlays in order to allow him to continue representing their station without too much danger of bankrupting the family means. German wives economize the more in proportion as their husbands spend.

American born wives, on the contrary, have drawn the reputation upon themselves of being incapable of this sort of sacrifice.

I have learned to look for the real tragedies among foreign marriages in the silent cases. These women of character and ambition, united in a fervid temperament, keeping their post like soldiers, are admirable wives often of admirable men, yet they endure the constant realization of the chosen places of their thoughts being foreign to the ways and thoughts of their husband and the world about them. There are modern women of strong and distinct lives whose inner principles are supreme protests against the system of living which their marriages unknowingly drew them into—exiles from the soil, and, above all, the soil of republicanism.

Both law and custom grant men authority over women. The bride passes from the parental control into the control of her husband, and, if she live to be a widow, into that of her son.

Our girls know theoretically before marriage that they must be subservient to their husbands as German wives and that the obstacles to happiness lie in the path of wifely independence. The gentle footpath of submission is free from hindrance.

Philadelphia Chickens.

"The idea that Philadelphia chickens are the best is not a mere fancy," said a poultry man. "They are really the best. There is something in the soil of the country around Philadelphia that is favorable to the best growth and development of the chicken, just as there is something in other parts of the county that promotes the highest development of the horse."—New York Sun.

Influence of Women's Clubs.

Mr. Walter Damrosch, the distinguished musician and composer of New York, says of the women's clubs of the west: "The especially interesting features of the artistic life in western towns are the women's clubs, and in these the culture and intellectual life seem to be centered. They have a tremendous influence, and it is through their efforts that fine concerts are given and that the artists are persuaded to come there. We know very little in New York of what happens in other cities of the country, but it would surprise New Yorkers to see the activity with which the club women advance the interests of culture in western towns."

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected Oct. 5, 1896.

Trains Leave North Adams going East—a1.57, 15.18, 7.23, 9.53, 11.42 a. m.; 2.22, 14.10, c2.05 p. m.
Going West—1.59, 10.03 a. m.; 12.20, 1.34, 5.04, 18.03, 11.46, c2.32, c7.40 p. m.
Trains Arrive From East—10.06 a. m.; 12.10, 1.24, 5.00, 18.05, 11.46, c2.39 p. m.
From West—a1.57, 15.18, 7.23, 9.51, 11.42 a. m.; 2.22, 14.10, 7.00 p. m., c6.40 p. m.
a Runs Daily, except Monday.
1 Runs Daily, Sundays included.
c Sundays only.

Boston & Albany Railroad.

Trains leave North Adams going south—5.20, 8.00, 9.35 a. m.; 1.15, 3.00, 6.05, 7.01.
Sundays only—9.25, a. m., 1.56, 6.00 p. m.
Trains arrive from south—6.24, 10.03 a. m., 12.15, 2.35, 5.50, 6.06, 10.20 p. m.
Sundays only—11.50 a. m., 4.10, 7.50, p. m.

New York Central R. R.
HARLEM DIVISION.

Leave North Adams via B. & A., R. R. for New York city 6.20 a. m.; arrive N. Y. city 11.53 a. m.; leave North Adams 9.35 a. m.; arrive N. Y. city 4.00 p. m.; leave North Adams 1.15 p. m.; arrive N. Y. city 8.42 p. m. Sunday train leaves North Adams 1.56 p. m. arrive N. Y. City 8.37 p. m.

Fast Pittsfield and North Adams special trains leave N. Y. city at 9.00 a. m. and 3.35 p. m. daily except Sundays, arriving in North Adams at 2.35 p. m. and 8.50 p. m. Sunday train leaves N. Y. city at 9.15 a. m. arrives North Adams 4.10. F. J. WOLFE, General Agent, Albany, N. Y.

Hoosac Valley Street Railway.
ADAMS LINE.

Leave North Adams—5.15, *5.45, 7.00, 7.15, 8.11, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15, *10.45.
Leave Adams—5.30, 6.30, *6.30, 7.00, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.15, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.00, 1.30, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00, 3.30, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.33, 9.00, 9.30, 10.00, *10.30, *11.00.
WILLIAMSTOWN LINE.
Leave North Adams—5.30, 6.00, 7.00, 7.15, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15.
Leave Williamstown—6.15, 7.00, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.00, 1.15, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00, 3.30, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.30, 11.00.

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THIS EVENING'S EVENTS.

Concert and dance by the Caledonian club in Hoosac bank block.
New Year's reception at the Y. M. C. A. rooms.
Third degree worked by Knights of Columbus.
Dance by Clan McIntyre at St. Jean Baptiste hall.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—*A New Year's service will be held at* St. John's church tonight at 7.30 o'clock.

—The sun-rise prayer meetings of the Baptist and Congregational churches at 7 and 7 30 this morning were well attended.

—The Friday Afternoon Whist club was entertained this afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Bracewell on Wall street.

—The Ladies' Sewing society of St. John's church will serve a 15-cent supper *in the parish house Wednesday evening,* January 6, from 5 to 7 30 o'clock.

—There will be a meeting of the Girls' Friendly associates Saturday evening at 7.30 in the Episcopal church parish house. A full attendance is desired.

—The young men in this city are cordially invited to attend the New Year's reception at the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening. Refreshments will be served by the auxiliary from 8 to 10 o'clock.

—Fred Francis, the well known baritone, who has sung in this city many times, was one of the artists at a large musicale given in Pittsfield Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. Crane. Arthur Foote, the celebrated pianist of Boston, was also one of the attractions of the evening.

—List of letters advertised at the North Adams, Mass., post office December 30, '96. Miss May I. Carroll (2) Miss Mary Williams, Harry G. Allen, William Comm, Ed. Curtis, W. F. Carroll, H. Desmerests, Charles Dragon, James Errean, F. Felis, Napoleon Jodoin, Joseph Leo Mainville, Joseph Maquin, C. B. Larabee, John McKee, Joseph H. Martin, Joseph Dainery.

—*R. A. Thompson and George E. Brig*ham enjoyed a rabbit hunt in Savoy Thursday. If their stories can be believed *they didn't kill a rabbit nor anything else,* but had a good time chasing a vain hope and old rabbit tracks. But they brought back some rabbits that their friends shot, and probably have more than they can use themselves.

—Miss Lizzie Spencer gave a party at her home in the east part of the city Thursday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Minnie Hall of Greenwich, N. Y. A large number of young people were present and they had a happy time watching the old year out and the new year in.

—At a recent election of officers of the Lawrence Investment and Loan company, Lawrence, Kan., James Tracy Potter, formerly of this city, was chosen vice-president and general manager. He was also appointed attorney. The corporation is of fifteen years standing and is well founded.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Hazel Rescott went to Holyoke today with State Inspector J. R. Howes to visit her many young friends in that city, where she will remain till Monday.

Rev. L. F. Baker, the recently appointed pastor of the Christian Advent church, has moved his family into his new home, 7 Meadow street.

Miss Katherine Criley, who has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. J. H. Adams, during the holidays, has returned to Smith college at Northampton.

WILLIAM A. BANCROFT.

A Man Whose Good Name and Works Are Widely Known in Massachusetts.

Hon. William Amos Bancroft, whom Cambridge people have "dined" after four years of distinguished service as mayor is one of the most attractive figures among the younger men of Massachusetts. Cambridge has been noted for its able mayors, and yet one who has known them all has said, "As an executive officer Mayor Bancroft stands preeminent among the mayors of Cambridge." Born on a Middlesex farm, he early became noted for athletic prowess. A public school boy, a graduate of Phillips Exeter, and Harvard, '78, he was admitted to the Suffolk bar in 1881. While in college he was captain of the famous crews that beat Yale in 1877, 1878 and 1879. Joining the fifth Regiment as a private when a freshman, he rose until he became colonel of the regiment which he has



Hon. W. A. Bancroft.

brought to the highest efficiency. In 1885 he left the law to enter the street railway business. While superintendent of the Cambridge railroad, not only was his management successful financially, but, at the time of the great strike in 1887, such was his firmness, energy, and organizing ability that in a short time all of the twenty-two lines were in full operation. He returned to the law in 1890.

Elected a Cambridge councilman for 1882, he was in the Legislature in 1883, 1884, and 1885. He was president of the Board of Aldermen in 1891 and 1892, and then became mayor. His administrations have made Cambridge still more famous as a well-governed city. Colonel Bancroft is a Republican *in politics. He pre*sided at the state convention of his party in 1893, and made an eloquent address. In 1893 he was chosen by the alumni of Harvard college to be a member of the board of overseers. In 1894 he was elected president of the New England Alumni of the Phillips Exeter academy.

Colonel Bancroft's ten years of public service, and his career in the varied concerns in which he has been engaged, have shown him to be possessed, in rare combination, of many qualities of mind and heart that bring success. Massachusetts certainly has a place for such men, and it would not be surprising if he had not retired permanently from the public service.

Postage Stamp Portraits.

Private letters from Kioto bear proof that the Japanese have their own way of doing things. They recently had a new issue of postage stamps, which bore portraits of two of the princes who died in the recent war. Stamps of 2 and 5 sen were to be issued. In the United States one portrait would have been on the 2 sen stamp and one on the 5 sen stamp, but in Japan it was thought that this would be discriminating against the memory of the one pictured on the lower denomination.

This is why philatelists find that there are two new 2 sen and two new 5 sen stamps, each denomination having one kind in memory of each prince. But even this careful arrangement did not prevent a new trouble. Some conservative Japanese are contending that it borders on disrespect to the imperial family to pollute their picutres with saliva and then to blotch them with ink in the process of cancellation.

One man has declared in the papers that he shall decline to receive any mail matter bearing those stamps. Some postmasters *have requested that they be allowed to put* the canceling mark only on the edge of the stamp, so as to avoid defiling the princely faces. The old fashioned Japanese are especially displeased to see foreigners putting portraits representing men of divine descent into their mouths and putting them on the envelopes with as much indifference as we employ with the faces of Washington, Franklin and Grant on our stamps.

Did it ever occur to an American that it was discrimination to place a portrait on a lower denomination stamp? If this matter ever was discussed, it was probably agreed that the greater honor went with the cheaper stamps, which are in wider and more general use. As for attaching any respect to them, do you know, without looking, whose pictures are on our various stamps?—Boston Journal.

Russia and Turkey.

Is England to make fish of Russia and *fowl of Turkey? is what* Mr. W. T. Stead asks in The Review of Reviews.

In view of the evidence now patent to all men as to the real, essential nature of Turkish rule England's attitude toward Russia ought certainly not to be that of resentment or of indignation. Granting that for the moment the policy of reserve and of inaction adopted by Russia is most deplorable in the interests of humanity, it is but a passing episode of a few months at the most. But England's attitude for 60 years has been just that which Russia has adopted within the last 18 months.

Let us grant, if you please, the worst that can be said against Russian policy, the effect of which has been to secure the 18 months' longer lease of immunity to the assassin of Stamboul. What is that compared with the guilt which we have incurred by our persistent support of the Turkish misrule, a support persisted in for generation after generation, and that not merely by the adoption of a passive policy of nonintervention, but by an active armed intervention on behalf of the assassin and his predecessors?

So One Would.

One would think that woman, like the Roentgen rays, had only just been discovered, to judge from the incessant clamor, the virulent abuse, the exaggerated praise, with which she is daily greeted in newspapers and books.—Lowell (Mass.) Daily Mail.

If a dish of cold water is kept in a cakebox, it will keep the cake fresh and moist. The water should be renewed every 24 hours.

Wise Legislation Needed.

I admit the depressed and unusual conditions now existing that have most injuriously affected the producers of all commodities, the farmer, the laborer and the manufacturer. The disastrous policy of this administration has lessened the price of all articles of production, has driven labor into enforced idleness, has unsettled all values and discouraged enterprise of whatever character. These abnormal conditions, I hold, are the result of unwise legislation and independent of the money question. They may be corrected and the favorable conditions existing under the last Republican administration can be restored by wise and proper legislation.—Hon. Robert J. Gamble, M. C., of South Dakota.

What Is a Protective Tariff?

What is a protective tariff? It is a tariff upon foreign imports so adjusted as to secure the necessary revenue and judiciously *imposed upon those foreign* products the like of which are produced at home or the like of which we are capable of producing at home. It imposes the duty upon the competing foreign product. It makes it bear the burden of duty, and *as far as possible,* luxuries only excepted, permits the noncompeting foreign product to come in free of duty. *Articles of common use, comfort* and necessity, which we cannot produce here, it sends to the people untaxed and free *from custom house exactions.*—Hon. William McKinley.

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Gold Teas.

Gold teas and gold dinners are the fashion of the hour. The china is white and gold, the flowers are yellow chrysanthemums or some other yellow blossom, the ices and icings to cakes are yellow, and, if a dinner, the name cards are large (pasteboard) goldpieces, representing our various coins in that metal.

TOWN TALK.

For New Year's.

L. M. Barnes' jewelry store is the place to visit for New Year's gifts. There will *be found* a large and attractive assortment of silver novelties, toilet articles, emerys, bracelets and jewelery of all designs and descriptions, fresh from the New York markets. These goods are all new and prices are lower than ever. If you have any "return giving" to do Barnes' store is the place to select your gifts.

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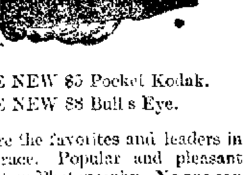
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SUBURBAN NEWS.

Happenings of Interest in Our Neighbor Towns.

AT ADAMS TODAY.

Lacy Defeats Blackin in a Wrestling Match Which Lasts Nearly Five Hours--Real Estate Items--A Zylonite Hungarian Steals Twenty Dollars--This Evening's EVents--Other Local Items.

LACY DEFEATS BLACKIN.

A Very Interesting Contest at the Opera House Thursday Evening.

There was a large crowd at the opera house Thursday, among them many North Adams, Fall River and New Bedford sports who had come to see Thomas Blackin, the professional wrestler, make easy work of A. Thomas Lacy, the Adams bantam, who is ahead of any other wrestler in western Massachusetts. There was lots of Blackin money, and when the two men stepped into the ring everything seemed to favor the latter. He weighed 170 pounds and Lacy tipped the scales at 128. The men started with a rush at 8 30 o'clock but soon began to watch each other with great care. The Blackin money disappeared after a little and Lacy's friends could find no one to bet with. The first round lasted three hours and fifteen minutes, Lacy throwing his man after a hard struggle. The latter was in some bad places but managed to writhe out of them. The second fall was won by Lacy after an hour and thirty minutes struggle.

John Wier was referee and gave each man impartial judgment. Blackin's second, Herbert Cann, came near losing for his man at the start by giving him some sand when his hands became slippery. The match was for $100. Quite a round sum changed hands.

Real Estate Matters.

The town has bought of Evlyn Todd for $500 a piece of land near the new Dean street bridge, in order that the way may be properly laid when the street is widened and improved. The Renfrew Manufacturing company has sold to Ella M Todd and Evlyn Todd pieces of ground for $400 and $100 respectively. This is to improve access to Todd's property.

Henry J. Arnold has transferred some real estate to Levi M. Randall.

E. A. Thatcher of this town has bought a right of way of T. J. E. Briggs of Cheshire to reach his wood lots.

Henry Sherman has sold a part of his Savoy property to Almiron McCulloch for $300.

Charged With Stealing.

Michael Bolog, a Hungarian who boarded with Franz Dobner, a Zylonite German, was in court this morning charged with stealing twenty dollars from his boarding-master. Several witnesses who could not speak English were examined through an interpreter. The defendant was discharged.

Events of the Evening.

The Assembly club will hold a full dress dancing party in Armory hall. Palmer will provide music.

Several local Knights of Columbus will go to North Adams to attend the working of a degree, and the banquet which follows at the Mansion house.

Forest Park drum corps held a pleasant dance in Grand Army hall Thursday evening. Forest Park orchestra provided music.

Successful dances were held Thursday evening in St. Jean Baptiste and Hermann halls.

All the mills are closed today to permit those who so desire to celebrate the New Year. They will not be started tomorrow.

Frank A. Weston is at home for a few days from New York, where he is attending a trade school.

There was a very enjoyable time at the home of Miss Minnie E. Hughes, Renfrew, Thursday evening, given by the young woman in honor of her cousin, Miss Margaret Hughes, who is at home from Smith college on vacation.

Chief Curran and his mother and sister went to Lee Thursday to attend the funeral of his uncle.

Miss Kittie Barrett has returned from a visit in West Stockbridge.

John A. Youmans has returned from his home in Troy.

Miss N. Pauline Barrett is visiting friends in New York city.

CHESHIRE.

Rare Musical Treat Promised.

Course tickets for three concerts to be given at the Academy of Music, Pittsfield, under the management of Wood Bros. can be purchased of F. T. Foster. The subscription price is $1 for the three entertainments, 25 and 15 cents extra for reserved seats. Single admission, 50 cents. The first concert will be given Thursday evening, January 14, the second, Monday evening, January 25, and the third and last on Friday evening, February 19. A special train will be run to accommodate those who wish to attend.

Mrs. Edward Brewer and son of North Adams are the guests of Mrs. Edwin Sanders.

Miss Ella Hermance of Hudson is visiting Mrs. R. V. Wood.

A Baptist cottage prayer meeting will be held at Nathan Harkness' tonight.

Mrs. Frank Perry of North Adams is at Mrs. A. Nickerson's on Depot street.

Miss Edna Bowen of Adams is visiting Faith Chase for a few days.

The Cheshire club will have their annual election of officers Saturday evening.

In her will the late Mrs. J. G. Northup left to the Universalist society the sum of $100.

Miss Nellie Baker and Master Harry Ingalls are in Adams for a week's stay.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church met with Mrs. E. G. Brown this afternoon.

Mass was celebrated at the church of the Assumption at 8.30 o'clock this morning.

The social given by the ladies of the Universalist society at the house of H. C. Bowen New Year's eve was a success socially as well as financially. The hall was tastefully decorated with evergreen and bunting and presented an attractive appearance. Mitchell's orchestra furnished music for the dancing. A number of guests were present from out of town.

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Michael Clark, Michael Welch and Moses Noel have contracted to fill Bullock's ice house.

Hugh Kane of Keene, N. H., is visiting his mother.

Fred Lesotte has gone to Indiana.

The Williamstown National bank was closed all day today. The postoffice was closed from 10 to 3 o'clock.

Randolph Clarke, ex-'98, of Keeseville, is in town.

Garabed Ashderian and H. E. Foster gave an oyster supper to the Congregational choir after rehearsal Thursday evening.

Dr. Migeault, who sold out recently to Dr. Brousseau, is in Canada.

BRAYTONVILLE.

Miss Anna Johnson of New Haven, Conn., called on a number of her friends here Wednesday.

Thomas W. Sykes left today for Boston for a short visit.

William Walton, a woolen manufacturer of Providence, R. I., paid a short visit to his old friend, Thomas W. Sykes Thursday.

The annual election of Sunday school officers will take place at the chapel Sunday.

Edward Desquette accidentally put his hand through a window pane this morning, inflicting a severe gash.

WHITINGHAM.

J. A. Brigham and wife of Boston, who have been visiting at C. S. Chase's a few days returned home Saturday.

The Christmas exercises at the Baptist church were well attended. The distribution of the presents from the well laden trees was quite an attractive part of the program, especially to the children.

Merritt Johnson was arrested for stealing Friday night. Charles Waste took him in charge to await his trial. Wednesday at Whitingham.

G. A. Boyd and wife of Readsboro spent Sunday in town.

Will Carpenter and Mr. Dunberg of Boston spent Christmas at Mrs. Carpenter's.

Mrs. James Tainter is very low.

Ernest Baker and wife of Monroe Bridge visited his father, Calvin Baker, Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Sawyer and Clyde Young went to Zoar Saturday.

C. S. Chase returned to Bennington last Monday.

Porter Carrier's children are all sick with colds and grip.

BENNINGTON.

The roads are in a peculiar shape—part dust and part snow.

Ice cutting has begun on J. Wool Griswold's pond. Although this is not a large body of water yet the pond turns out some of the best ice imaginable. All of the ice houses in the vicinity of the Center village are filled from this pond.

Judge Tompson, who was taken sick at the session of the county court here in December, is expected back the first week in January to finish up the court docket.

The Messrs. C. E. and F. Dewey have been painting up their extensive barns. Also the Dewey mansion which is of Colonial design and of broad dimensions, standing as a monument to the inhabitants of those early days who laid the foundations of this republic and who achieved our American independence.

The knit goods industry of Bennington is in a paralyzed condition and the town is beginning to feel the effects of our depressed condition. Unless the orders come in faster and they cease to fluctuate the mills will shut down indefinitely, but as we draw near to the new year and also to the new administration we predict new life for the factories of Bennington As the blood is to the life and the branch to the vine so are the knitting factories of Bennington our dependence and our hope. It is the busy flying of the shuttle to and fro that makes Bennington the active town that she generally is.

SHERMAN.

Miss Ada Wheeler closed a very successful term of school here last week Wednesday.

Both of the lime kilns are running at full speed.

Christmas exercises were held in the school house again this year and all enjoyed as good a time as usual.

Frank Starks is shaving scythe sticks.

Oral Plumb is working for Floyd Vincent in Fitchburg.

Joe Jarvis has taken a job of Henry Blanchard of cutting and drawing pulp wood.

MONROE.

Miss Angie Ballou returned to her work in Greenfield, Monday.

Miss Ella Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Ballou and son of Greenfield were in town for the Christmas holiday.

The church services have been changed from 2 p. m. back to the former time, 11 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Sherman of Charlemont were in town over Christmas.

MONROE BRIDGE.

The school children gave a very pleasing entertainment at the hall Christmas eve consisting of dialogues, singing, etc. The music was rendered by Miss Stevens the teacher, who presided at the piano.

Rev. H. W. Chamberlain preached his farewell sermon at the hall Sunday. He is to move to Southwick, Mass., this week.

Austin Mason from Zylonite is visiting his daughter, Mrs. A. H. Goldthwait.

A. H. Goldthwait and family spent Christmas in Readsboro with J. A. Williams.

Willie Bears of Florida visited with F. A. Goldthwait Sunday.

A. H. Goldthwait and daughter Bertha were in Readsboro Sunday.

Carl Perry was in Readsboro Christmas on business.

Some of our people took advantage of the special discount sale of goods at the stores in Readsboro Christmas week.

F. A. Goldthwait is working in Readsboro for J. A. Williams this week.

WEST HALIFAX.

The officers elected for Guiding Star grange for the year 1897 are: Master, Mrs. C. W. Niles; overseer, E. S. Cook; lecturer, Mrs. O. H. Johnson; steward, B. G. Worden; assistant steward, Ira Larrabee; chaplain, C. W. Niles; treasurer, C. E. Thurber; secretary, Mrs. Ira Larrabee; gatekeeper, O. H. Johnson; Ceres, Mrs. C. O. Thurber; Pomona, Mrs. E. S. Cook; Flora, Mrs. B. T. Worden; lady assistant steward, Mrs. W. W. Whitney.

Fred Miner from Connecticut is visiting at his mother, Mrs. Thomas Miner.

L. B. Hall whose death occurred last Saturday was a man who will be much missed by the people here. He was born in Whitingham, Vt., November 14, 1818, but has been a resident of Halifax for many years. He has been in feeble health for a year and the past six weeks has been confined to the house. He leaves one sister, Miss Abigail Hall, and two nephews, Volney L. Clark, East Deerfield, Mass., and Henry Clark of North Adams.

Perry Hall received intelligence of the death of his only remaining brother Israel Hall which occurred at Davenport, Iowa, December 19. His age was 83 years.

Miss E. Larabee is at home for the Christmas holidays. She is accompanied by her niece Miss Stone of Oakham, Mass.

There was a large attendance at the union services at the Baptist church Christmas eve. The Sabbath school at the centre was present and helped to make the exercises very interesting. Two heavily laden trees were stripped of their burdens, making many happy recipients. A nice banquet lamp was presented to F. H. Niles, superintendent of the West Halifax Baptist Sabbath school.

SAVOY.

Moonlight on the Ocean.

Silently, over the bosom of Ocean,
Glimmers a silvery pencil of light;
Trading, in color delightful, and glowing.
Softly, a pathway unsullied, and bright.

Far in the distance, a sail-flock is showing,
Clear, on the placid and luminous tide;
White, as the wing of a peace-loving seraph,
Swanlike, another is moving beside.

Gently, the voice of a soft-breathing zephyr,
Whispers a message, so tender and low,
Only the mystic and longing, in spirit,
All that is whispered so softly, can know.

Peaceful and calm, is the visage of Nature.
Save where the ripples are dancing in glee,
While, with the silver and glistering crayon,
Moonlight is tinting the charms of the sea.

ADDISON BRAINARD.

SAVOY CENTER.

J. L. McCulloch and family of Adams spent Christmas at F. B. Ford's and attended the Christmas exercises at the church in the evening.

School closed in district No. 5 December 23, taught by Miss Jennie Sweet of Pittsfield. This is the sixth term she has taught in succession in this district.

Leonard McCulloch and wife of Adams spent Christmas at his son's, A. J. McCulloch, and attended the exercises at the church in the evening.

The Christmas exercises at the church on Christmas night passed off very pleasantly. All seemed to have a nice time and the children did their part in an excellent manner.

S. T. Cain and wife spent a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Russell Tower, in Adams this week.

Marcus E. Cain went to Rowe last week and visited at J. F. Brown's and attended the dance at the town hall Friday evening.

NORTH HEATH.

Jonathan Peterson spent Christmas with his son, Dr. John Peterson at Green River.

Miss Anna Benson of Granby lately visited her aunt, Mrs Catherine Tucker.

Christmas was observed here there being many families having a Christmas tree for the pleasure of their families and invited guests. The Christmas exercises at the North school house were both pleasing and entertaining both to the Sunday school and the people who were there.

The play at the center Friday and Saturday evening were well attended and much praised and enjoyed by those present.

Arthur Carley has secured the services of a house keeper from Shelburne Falls.

Edgar Gillett and his sister Grace are home for the holidays from Arms academy Shelburne.

Newfoundland Revenue Receipts.

St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 1.—The government announces that the revenue receipts for the half year ending last evening were nearly $900,000, being $115,000 over the receipts during the same perid last year.

Not a Candidate for the Senate.

Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—Charles L. Kurtz, chairman of the republican state committee, denied the report that he is a candidate for the United States senate to succeed Senator Sherman.

BLACK'S INAUGURAL.

Albany Crowded with Republican Politicians and Visitors.

Albany, Jan. 1.—The inauguration of Gov.-elect. Black to-day brought a large number of republicans, prominent and otherwise, to Albany. In consequence the hotels were crowded last night. Many members of the legislature are also here. The assembly chamber was early in readiness for Gov. Black's inaugural, and the capitol was the scene of much activity. Senators Ellsworth of Niagara, Higgins of Cattaraugus, White of Syracuse and Mullin of Jefferson arrived last evening. They have taken the Erastus Corning house on State street for the winter. Other senators here are Grant of Delaware, Brown of Otsego, Parsons of Monroe, Higbie of Suffolk, and Coffey of Kings. Assemblyman James M. E. O'Grady of Rochester, who is to be elected speaker of the assembly, arrived here from New York city with Charles W. Hackett of Utica, who is chairman of the republican state committee. Mr. Hackett came to witness Gov. Black's inaugural. Mr. O'Grady will not open his speakership headquarters until Tuesday, when he will keep open house at "The Tub" on State street. There he will receive the various members of the lower house and listen to their requests for assignment to places on good committees. Clerk Archie Baxter of the assembly will be unanimously re-elected to his present position, and will re-appoint William H. Hawley, jr., as deputy clerk. Journal clerk Edward M. Johnson will be reinstated if he is well enough to resume his old position. Stenographer Lamment of the assembly will be re-elected and the position of sergeant-at-arms will probably go to Assemblyman Reinhardt's candidate, a Mr. Crawford of New York city, as all of the New York city republican members have united upon him. Joseph Hause of Rochester will no doubt be elected head doorkeeper of the assembly. Senate clerk John S. Kenyon of Syracuse does not expect to make many changes in the senate desk force and the other officers of the senate, in most cases, will be renamed to serve during the coming session.

COMMERCE AT BUFFALO.

An Enormous Increase in the Grain Movement During the Year 1896.

Buffalo, Jan. 1.—The Courier's annual review of the lake commerce passing through this port show an enormous increase in the grain movement eastward. The total receipts of grain, exclusive of flour, aggregated 303,431,814 bushels against 106,077,930 bushels in 1895 The shipments by canal were 35,709,259 bushels as against 20,235,114 last year, and 5,768 boats cleared eastward as compared with 1,546 last season. The highest rate on wheat to New York was 4 cents and the average 3.7. There was a falling off in lumber and iron ore receipts and coal shipments, but the showing is notwithstanding a satisfactory one. One of the chief features of the year was the building of nearly a score of large steel vessels, valued at about $3,000,000 and capable of carrying something like 1,400 tons of iron ore during a season. The loss of vessel property was small compared with preceding years. During the season of 1896, 35 vessels were total losses with a total valuation of $386,800. In 1895 the loss of vessels numbered 53 with a valuation of $1,230,100, and in 1894 there were 54 total losses with a valuation of $522,750.

New Year Honors from the Queen.

London, Jan. 1.—Among those upon whom the queen will confer New Year's honors are Sir Joseph Lister, surgeon-extraordinary to the queen, and Alexander Smith Kinnear (Lord Kinnear), a judge of the court of session of Scotland, both of whom will be raised to the peerage, and J. M. Lemoine of Quebec, ex-president of the Royal society of Canada, who will be knighted.

Treasury Debt Statement.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The treasury debt statement, which will be issued to-morrow, will show that the deficit for the first six months of the current fiscal year is, in round numbers, $39,100,000. For the month of December, in round numbers, the receipts were $25,800,000 and expenditures $25,200,000, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of $600,000.

Demands of Ohio Miners.

Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—The state miners' convention has adopted a resolution demanding an immediate advance of six cents per ton over the wages now paid in all the districts, in order to place the Ohio miners on the same wage level as the Pennsylvania miner. No strike is anticipated until after the meeting of the miners' national convention next month.

Turkish Marines Demand Back Pay.

Constantinople, Jan. 1.—Seventeen hundred disbanded Turkish marines made a hostile demonstration at the arsenal on Tuesday, demanding their arrears of pay. They received a portion of the money due them, and were then separated into small bodies and sent to different ports of Anatolia.

Hit After Palmer's Seat in the Senate.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Congressman Robert R. Hitt returned from Washington last night preparatory to leaving for Springfield Thursday next to open headquarters and engage in the contest for the seat in the United States senate now held by Gen. Palmer.

Dinner for 500 Poor Children.

Rome, N. Y., Jan. 1.—A dinner was given by Mrs. W. J. P. Kingsley, wife of Mayor Kingsley of Rome, in Sink's Opera house yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to 500 poor children. Committees of ladies from the churches waited on the tables.

For the Advancement of Science.

Stockholm, Jan. 1.—It is learned that the will of Alfred Nobel, the Swedish engineer and chemist, who died at San Remo, Italy, on December 9, devotes the bulk of his fortune to an international fund for the advancement of science, the interest of which is to be applied to the furnishing of prizes for competition, open to the world.

HE WAS TIRED OF LIFE.

Editor McCullagh's Physician Says There Is No Doubt His Patient Killed Himself.

St. Louis, Jan. 1.—There is no further doubt that Joseph McCullagh, editor of the Globe-Democrat, whose dead body was found yesterday on the stone flagging in the rear of his sister-in-law's residence on Pine Boulevard, where he resided, buried himself from the window during a paroxysm of suffocation from acute asthma, from which he was suffering. His nervous system was completely shattered as the result of his arduous labors in the recent campaign. His physician said to a reporter this morning that Mr. McCullagh was tired of living and killed himself. Joseph B. McCullagh was born in Dublin, Ireland, in November, 1842, and when but 11 years of age came to this country on a sailing ship, working his passage "before the mast." Arriving in New York in 1853, he was apprenticed to learn the printing business in the office of the Freeman's Journal. Five years later, in 1858, he came to St. Louis and has been connected prominently with newspapers ever since. He never married.

M'LEWEE'S DISMISSAL.

There Was Some Talk, It Is Said, of a Court Martial for the Offending Officer.

Albany, Jan. 1.—One of Gov. Morton's last official acts was the summary removal yesterday of Frederick C McLewee, inspector general on his staff, from office, and at the same time he appointed Capt. Hoffman of Elmira in his place. Capt. Hoffman has already been appointed to serve as inspector general on Gov. Black's staff. McLewee's removal was brought about on account of his criticisms of his superior officers in his report issued yesterday. This report contained severe criticisms on Gov. Morton as commander-in-chief, Adjt.-Gen. McAlpin and brother officers and aroused the wrath of many members of the national guard. There was some talk of court-martial, but the governor decided to let the matter drop with dismissal of the offending officer. The intense excitement and interest shown in Gov. Morton's action in this matter has not been equalled about the capitol regarding any official action of the chief executive in years.

RAILROAD STATISTICS.

Locomotives and Freight and Passenger Cars Built in 1896.

New York, Jan. 1.—The statistics of new equipments built in this country in 1896, gathered by the Railroad Gazette, show that we have built more locomotives than in 1895 and very many more cars. The figures show that we built last year 490 locomotives, 74 more than in 1895. The actual number of engines built in 1896 was 1,175 and in 1895 1,101. In 1896 909 engines were built in this country for export to foreign countries, going chiefly to South America. The statistics of car building by 41 companies show a total of 51,189 freight cars built in 1896 and 474 passenger cars. The increase in freight car output over that of 1895 is 34 per cent. The number of passenger cars built was slightly greater than in 1895. The total track laid in the United States last year was 1,692 miles. This is a less amount than has been reported, except in 1895, when 1,428 miles were laid.

Mortality in New York.

Albany, Jan. 1.—The bulletin of the state board of health for the month of November shows that the number of deaths reported for the month was 7,888, which represents a death rate of 14.75 per 1,000 living. This is the lowest death rate for years.

Ireland's Big Slide Again Moving.

Dublin, Jan. 1.—The landslide which occurred near Rathmore, county Kerry, on Monday, has not yet subsided. The bog is again moving toward the river, and there are fears of a further sliding of the hill behind it.

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LOCAL NEWS.

THE PIANO FUND CONCERT.

A Successful Entertainment Given by the Girls' Friendly Society.

Rather a small number was present Thursday evening at the musical and literary entertainment given under the auspices of the Girls' Friendly society at St. John's parish house, and the event was well worthy of a much larger patronage

A good sized orchestra composed of Professor Monroe's North Adams pupils was the chief attraction of the evening and each selection was heartily applauded. Most of the selections were difficult, and *Mr. Monroe should* feel proud of his pupils for the manner in which they kept together and noted so carefully the points of expression. *Miss Alice Smith and Mrs.* George Chase were accompanists for the orchestra.

Miss Daisy Babbitt of Adams quite captivated the audience with her recitations. Perhaps the most pleasing of her selections was 'Au old Sweet-heart of Mine," which she recited clearly and distinctly and with very much expression. Mrs. Albert Whitham contributed two solos to the program, one with a violin obligato by Mr. Monroe, for which she was well applauded. Mrs. Frank Smith pleased her audience with her soprano voice. She rendered two or three numbers of the program. Joseph K Smith splendidly sang "The Buccaneer," by Tours, besides another selection. John Heywood, Jr., sang "Heart of my Heart," by Booth, very nicely.

On the whole, the program was well arranged and was very well carried out. The proceeds will be used toward the *piano fund.* The programs were the compliment of W. H. Gaylord.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

A Handsome New Cross Placed in Position on Its Spire.

A new cross was erected on the top of the Congregational church spire Thursday. The work was done by Fred Sanguinet of this city, who makes steeple repairing his business. The new cross is considerably larger than the old one, which had withstood the storms and winds since the church was built, some thirty-two or thirty-three years ago. The new cross is also gilded and shows much more distinctly than the old one. Thursday afternoon was a pretty bleak time to work at the top of a steeple and crowds on the streets stood and watched Mr. Sanguinet at his perilous work. The cross *was raised to its position with a small* tackle at the end of a pole which was elevated above the top of the spire.

IMPROVEMENT IN BUILDINGS.

Hammond Beef Company Converts Its Ice House Into a Barn.

The Hammond Beef company, J. M. Chace, agent, has made some alterations in its buildings on Ashland street. The old ice house has been converted into a barn. It was no longer needed for the storage of ice, as the company now contracts with *J. H. Orr & Co. for its ice,* which is delivered as wanted at any time of the year. An addition 20 by 30 feet has also been built on the rear of the refrigerator for the storage of lard and other products in that line. With this addition the company is still crowded for room and it is only a question of time when the building will have to be taken down and replaced by a much larger one.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Somebody's Daughter."

The Floy Crowell Dramatic company, playing at the Columbia this week, is without doubt one of the finest repertoire organizations playing at popular prices that has ever visited this city. The plays they produce are of the best and they present them always in a truly artistic manner. The specialties which they introduce are the most refined and have not been equaled by a similar organization here. "Somebody's Daughter," as given Thursday night, was a good play cleverly interpreted by the entire cast.

Tonight "The Temptation of Money," a strong up-to-date melodrama, will be put on. It will be a fine production, in which a perfect fac-simile of the death chair at Sing Sing is shown.

A matinee was given this afternoon and there will be another Saturday afternoon.

A Card

To Messrs. Armitage and Fitzpatrick, managers of Floy Crowell Dramatic company:

DEAR SIR:—It affords me great pleasure to say that the Floy Crowell Dramatic company under your management and playing here this week is without doubt the strongest repertoire company ever seen in this city. Every member is an artist. The specialties are first class and the costumes beautiful. I predict for you a splendid business.

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Manager Columbia Opera House.

Ministerial Association.

The meeting of the Northern Berkshire Ministerial association which was to have been held Monday, January 4, will be omitted on account of special services in many of the churches. The next meeting will be held Monday, February 1, in the Congregational church, North Adams, at which the Rev. J. C. Tebbetts will read a paper on "Funeral Reform."

GEORGE W. BROWN, president.

Special Services Tonight.

The Volunteers of America hold meetings every evening at their hall on Marshall street at 8 o'clock. This evening Rev. Wallace Chesbro of Rhode Island will address the meeting. All are welcome.

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AS A NEW YEAR GIFT

Spanish Ministry Decide To Grant Reforms for Porto Rico.

TO GO INTO EFFECT AT ONCE

When the Rebellion in Cuba Is Subdued the Reforms Are To Be Further Extended—Dissatisfaction in Spain Over Weyler's Campaign.

Washington, Jan. 1.—At the meeting yesterday of the Spanish ministry at Madrid, as cabled to the Spanish legation in this city, the queen regent presiding, the reforms for Porto Rico, which have been in contemplation for some weeks, were agreed upon. These reforms must be submitted to the cortes for its approval when it meets next spring, but the ministry decided that the new measure would prove an acceptable New Year's gift to the Porto Ricans, and it was thought advisable to announce them at once. They will go into effect immediately. When the rebellion in Cuba is further subdued an enlargement of these reforms will, it is understood, be given to that island. It is claimed by those who are able to speak intelligently regarding the matter that these reforms will be entirely satisfactory to the home rulers in Cuba as showing the liberal spirit in which it is purposed to deal with the island. Reforms of a similar character, it is maintained, were prepared for both islands nearly two years ago, but their promulgation was delayed on account of the insurrection which almost immediately followed and which the Spanish ministry assert was begun in order that they might not be applied.

Demand Weyler's Recall.

Madrid, Jan. 1.—The Imparcial and the Heraldo to-day published articles condemning the military administration in Cuba, and pointing out that despite his oft-repeated promises Capt.-Gen Weyler has practically accomplished very little in the direction of suppressing the rebellion. Both papers demanded that Gen. Weyler be recalled and that Gen. Azcarraga, minister of war, be appointed in his place. The articles caused a great sensation in the city, and the government, fearing trouble would follow, ordered that the issues of both papers be seized.

POWERS WILL APPROVE IT.

Will Give Adherence to the Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty.

London, Jan. 1.—The Chronicle's Rome correspondent telegraphs that it is rumored that the powers generally will give adherence to the arbitration protocol between the United States and Great Britain Italy, it is added, will be the first nation to signify its official approval.

International Yacht Racing.

Montreal, Jan. 1.—The Royal St. Lawrence Yacht club, having accepted the challenge of the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht club for the Seawanhaka International Challenge Cup for small yachts, has sent a circular to all recognized yacht clubs in Canada announcing that open trial races for the selection of a representative yacht for the defense of the cup will be held on Lake St. Louis early in August and inviting them to take part, in order that the fastest 20-footer in the country may be selected. The match for the challenge cup will be sailed on the same waters about August 14.

St. Michaels a Land of Desolation.

Providence, Jan 1.—Joseph M. Mello jr., of this city, has received a letter from his father, a resident of Arriffes, St Michaels, in the Azores, which was recently devastated by a waterspout, confirming the news of the disaster. Mr Mello said that St. Michaels is a land of mourning and desolation At Peroaco whole families and cattle and farming products, as well as houses, were swept away.

The Bubonic Plague at Bombay.

Bombay, Jan 1 —The health statistics show that up to to-day there have been 2,274 cases and 1,408 deaths from the bubonic plague, which is epidemic in this city People are still fleeing from the city, but the plague continues to increase. Martial law is threatened upon the natives failing to obey the sanitary regulations to the letter.

Penn Road Director.

Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—The directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad company have elected Effingham B. Morris of this city as a member of the board to succeed Henry D. Welsh, deceased. Mr. Morris is president of the Girard Life Insurance, Annuity & Trust company and is well known in financial circles.

Pond Will Settlement.

Hartford, Jan. 1 —The sum of $58,-567 has been paid by the city in settlement of the Pond will case, thus avoiding any chances of an injunction being served. The city will receive the Pond park of about eighty acres and one-half the residue of the estate, estimated at about $200,000.

Debs Is a Socialist.

Terre Haute, Ind , Jan. 1.—Eugene V. Debs has left the people's party and become an out and out socialist.

CRUISERS FOR JAPAN

Contracts for Two Warships Signed in This Country.

TEST AGAINST ENGLISH-BUILT BOATS

Cramps of Philadelphia Will Construct One and the Union Iron Works of San Francisco the Other—Will Cost $3,000,000.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Twenty-four months from this date the rapidly growing Japanese navy will be increased by the addition of two swift cruisers of American build. The contracts were signed at the Japanese legation by Minister Hoshi, representing the Japanese government, and by Messrs. Henry Scott of San Francisco and Charles H. Cramp of Philadelphia, representing the Union Iron works and the Cramp shipyard respectively. Shortly after the termination of the China-Japan war, when it became known that Japan intended to build a large navy, the two American firms sent agents to Tokio to secure a part of the work. Their efforts were for a time unsuccessful, but they were ably seconded by the legation at Washington, particularly by its naval attaches, and by the further fact that, after a careful investigation of the great European and American navies, the Japanese government satisfied itself that the Americans had reached the perfection of naval machinery, and that our engines and boilers were superior to those of other nations. These favoring influences resulted in the signing of contracts for two second-class protected cruisers, one to be built at San Francisco and the other at Philadelphia, both to be completed in two years. The two vessels will cost $3,000,000, in round numbers, and represent the latest and best type of marine architecture. Each will have a displacement of 4,760 tons, or 260 tons more than the Chicago, which was one of the original quartet of steel vessels that marked the renaissance of the new navy. Their length over all will be 374 feet, with a breadth of 48 feet, an extreme depth of 20 feet and a draft of 17 feet and nine inches. In point of speed, they will outstrip any vessel in the American navy except the Minneapolis, which steams a trifle more than 23 knots an hour. The new vessels will make 22 1-2 knots under forced draft, which is a fraction faster than the Columbia, the sister ship to the Minneapolis. They will be constructed with longitudinal and transverse bulkheads, divided into compartments, an armored conning tower, and the engine and boiler rooms will be protected underneath by a double bottom. Their main battery will consist of two 8-inch guns, one in the forecastle and the other in the poop with a secondary battery of ten 12-centimetre guns, twelve 12-pounders and six 2 1-2 pounders. The 12-centimetre guns and the 12-pounders will have a broadside fire. Their offensive qualities will be completed by the addition of five torpedo tubes. The vessel will be built of the best quality of American steel and represent the newer types of American construction. The engines will be triple-expansion with cylindrical boilers. In the arrangement of the crews' quarters and the galleys, they will differ some hat from American-built ships and made to conform more to the Japanese idea of utility and comfort. Some of the guns will be manufactured in England and the remainder in the imperial yards of Japan The steering gear can be worked by electricity or by hand, as may be desired. A similar contract will be given to an English ship-building firm, with a view to testing the relative merits of American and English skill. If the two vessels in question prove satisfactory they will, it is believed, point the way to future contracts for American builders. It was stated this morning by Commander Marita of the Japanese legation that the vessels comprising the American fleet in eastern waters during the past year have proved an instructive object lesson to the Japanese government, as showing the capabilities of the Americans in the art of ship-building. It is an interesting circumstance that the contracts just made are the first that Japan has given to any outside nation since the Chinese war.

Lynched Because of a Bad Reputation.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 1.—News reaches here of a lynching near Gibson station, Richmond county, Christmas night. The man lynched was Jim Green, colored. He was a new comer in the neighborhood and worked in a cotton seed oil mill. He had done nothing, but it was understood his reputation was bad. A mob of white men took him to the woods and riddled his body with bullets

Suicide of George W. Wilkins.

Selma, Ala., Jan. 1.—George W. Wilkins, vice-president of the failed Commercial National bank, who committed suicide in the Episcopal church yesterday by shooting himself through the head, had been vice-president of the bank for thirty-five years and was also treasurer of the church.

Charged with Infringement of Patents.

Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—The Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph company of New York has enjoined the city from using the apparatus of the United States Fire Alarm Telegraph company, claiming that it is an infringement on their patents

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EXCITES POLITICIANS

Van Valkenburg Bribery Matter Discussed in Philadelphia.

TWO CHARGES AGAINST HIM NOW

Friends of Mr. Wanamaker Do Not Believe the Charges — Representative Weiss Says He Knows Nothing of an Attempt To Bribe Him.

Philadelphia, Jan. 1—The arrest at Harrisburg of E. A. Van Valkenburg on the charge of attempting to bribe Representative Weiss of Northampton county to vote for Wanamaker for United States senator continues to be the all-absorbing topic of discussion in political and business circles in this city. Among Mr. Wanamaker's friends the charge is ridiculed, or, if bribery really was attempted, everybody feels certain that Mr. Wanamaker knew nothing about it and that he would surely condemn any attempt at corruption. A dispatch from Harrisburg says that Representative Weiss says he knows nothing of an attempt to bribe him by E A. Van Valkenburg, and that he hardly knows the accused man and does not know Gibson, who made the information. When Van Valkenburg was arraigned before Squire Knabler at Pottsville yesterday the only witness examined was J. N. Tillard, a detective in the employ of the Interstate Detective agency of Scranton, but who is a resident of Altoona. He said he was sent to the Wanamaker people early in the summer to hire out to them and then disclose all information he could get to his superiors. He described interviews between himself and Van Valkenburg wherein he said it was agreed that he was to help Van Valkenburg secure votes against Quay's candidate for senator. He said Van Valkenburg had given money to bribe representatives in various parts of the state, notably in Luzerne. He showed a photographic receipt from Dr. Mackey of Luzerne for $1,220 and pledging himself to vote for Wanamaker. The defendant's counsel then waived a hearing and entered bail in $1,500. After the bail was entered the prosecution, which had opposed the waiving of the hearing, resumed the examination of Tillard, and he narrated the story of the conspiracy. The defendant and his counsel had left the magistrate's office. Tillard swore that Van Valkenburg had paid him in Philadelphia five $100 notes. The money had never been paid over to Weiss. During the trial of this case another warrant was served on Van Valkenburg, in which he is charged with conspiracy to bribe Dr. N. C. Mackey of Lackawanna county. Bail in the sum of $1,500 was also entered for his appearance in this case.

LORD BERESFORD'S INJURIES.

Anxious Not To Worry His Wife, Whose Accouchement Is Soon Expected.

London, Jan. 1.—Further details of the accident to Lord William Beresford while hunting Wednesday show that he was not thrown from his horse, as was at first reported, but that his horse fell while taking a fence at *Dorking, Surry,* and rolled upon him, cutting a deep gash in his forehead and, it is said, breaking several of his ribs. *He remained unconscious* for a number of hours after the fall. After regaining consciousness Lord William expressed a desire to get to his home at Deepdene as soon as possible, lest his wife, the dowager Duchess of Marlborough, and formerly Mrs Hammersly of New York, who is on the eve of accouchement, should be worried about him. He is now attended by three doctors, though his condition is much more favorable than it was when he was taken home.

For Violating Anti-Trust Laws.

Troy, N. Y., Jan. 1.—United States Commissioner Landon has held the members of the Tugboat Owners' association in $500 bail each for the grand jury at Albany, January 19. The defendants are charged with violating the anti-trust laws. It is alleged that the association is a trust formed to keep the tugboat rates at a high figure.

Alleged Plot To Kill Cecil Rhodes.

Cape Town, Jan. 1.—The Cape Times publishes the details of an alleged attempt on the part of German residents of the Transvaal to wreck the train on which Cecil Rhodes recently traveled to the coast on his way to England The scene of the alleged attempt is located 300 miles north of Cape Town. The story is not confirmed.

Athletic Club's License Revoked.

Brooklyn, N Y., Jan. 1.—Mayor Wurster has revoked the license of the Greater New York Athletic club at Coney Island, on the strength of a report submitted to him by the police that the fight between Peter Maher and Steve O'Donnell, which took place at the club on December 25, was a prize fight.

The Rains in India.

London, Jan. 1.—A Times dispatch from Calcutta reports that there have been rains varying from one-half to one and one-half inches over a wide area, and a heavy snowfall in the western Himalay regions, which is expected to produce rain in upper India.

Steamer Foundered; Crew Drowned.

London, Jan. 1.—The French coasting steamer Deux Freres, from Facamp for Calais, has foundered in the English channel and her crew of fifteen men drowned.

Filed Their Oaths of Office.

Albany, Jan. 1 —Railroad commissioners Ashley W. Cole and Frank M. Baker have filed their oaths of office with the secretary of state.

Fifteen Men Drowned.

Malaga, Jan. 1.—The fishing smack Colon, belonging at Fuengirola, twenty miles southwest of this city has been wrecked in the Mediterranean and her crew of fifteen men drowned.

Erie Railway Earnings.

New York, Jan. 1.—The net earnings of the Erie railway for the month of November were $797,882, an increase of $31,249.

NEW YEAR'S DAY, '97

How the President and President-Elect Are Spending the Time.

REMAIN QUIETLY AT THEIR HOMES

Enjoy Turkey Dinner with Their Families. All Public Buildings in Washington Closed and the Day Is Generally Observed.

Washington, Jan. 1.—New Year's day in Washington is being celebrated in much the usual manner of other holidays. No business is being transacted at any of the government departments, special services are being held in the churches, and, although quite a number of business houses are open, the city in general displays the appearance characteristic of the holiday season. President Cleveland is spending the day quietly at the white house with his wife and children, and, beyond the several members of the cabinet who called to bid him many happy returns of the day, he has received no visitors, although many cards have been left at the door. A majority of the members of the cabinet are also spending the day at home with their immediate families, although several of them have out-of-town relatives with them.

NEW YEAR'S DAY AT CANTON.

President-elect McKinley Dines Quietly with His Family.

Canton, O., Jan. 1.—Major McKinley is spending New Year's day in a quiet manner. His callers so far to-day have been of the social, rather than of the political, variety. He late New Year's dinner with his family, the piece de resistance being the traditional American turkey. Major and Mrs. McKinley will leave here tomorrow for Cleveland to remain four or five days. They will first visit Mr. and Mrs. Hanna and later Mr. and Mrs. Myron T. Herrick. A new candidate for a cabinet position has appeared in the person of Maj. William Warner of Missouri, who was formerly an active member of congress and was commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. His backers assert that he is very strong with the republicans of Missouri The claims of Henry Clay Evans of Tennessee are again forging to the fore, and the political sponsors who are supporting him profess to believe that his chances of becoming a member of President McKinley's official family are of the best. They declare that he is one of the most distinguished republicans of the south, and that he enjoys to an unusual degree the confidence of the business community.

FUN ON STOCK EXCHANGE.

New York Brokers Have an Old Time New Year's Celebration.

New York, Jan. 1.—Members of the New York Stock Exchange had an old time New Year's revel yesterday afternoon. Business was practically suspended in the final half hour. Chairman McClure, Assistant Chairman Kennedy and Keeper of the Rolls Weiber had a reception on the rostrum, the members giving an example of the endless chain by falling into a line which led across the rostrum Each member shook hands with the officers, and the line did not stop in passing until the officers discovered that those in line had already shaken hands with them two or three times. A football was then produced on the floor, and after that there was general skylarking. Hats were smashed and one member had his coats pulled off. He ran around in his shirt sleeves after that. A big crowd watched the fun from the galleries

The Day in New York.

New York, Jan. 1.—New Year's Day is being observed in this city in the usual way, but there is not that cessation of business as heretofore on similar days. While all of the large retail stores are closed, in the wholesale departments scores of clerks are at work behind closed doors completing the work of stock-taking and getting things in shape for the new year. The banks are closed, as are all the exchanges. The different charitable and criminal institutions have prepared something extra in food for the inmates, but nothing very elaborate, as is the custom on Christmas day Several big spreads for the poor children of the city will be served by the charitably disposed at different halls and churches throughout the city All of the theatres give special New Year matinees this afternoon, and many will no doubt reap a considerable harvest.

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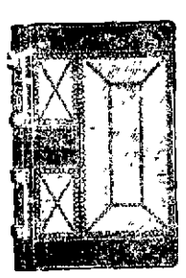
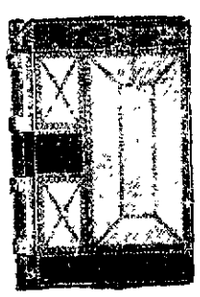
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